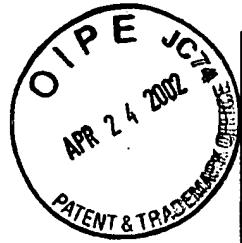


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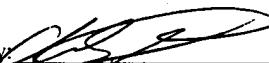


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed January 15, 2002, said period of response being extended from April 15, 2002 to May 15, 2002.

Our check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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